

HANNA IS DES
MOINES HEAD
FOR 3D TERM

Zell Roe, Endorsed by
Labor League, is Be-
hind 4,000 Votes.

WATER ISSUE IS LOST

Confusion Over Ballot Defeats
Proposition to Have City
Operate the Plant.

Des Moines, Iowa, March 31.—Confusion of voters over the ballot used in the municipal waterworks election yesterday was given as the reason for the defeat of the measure by its friends. The ballot contained two questions, after it had been announced only one proposition was to be voted.

Mayor James R. Hanna was elected to his third term, receiving 11,804 votes to 7,226 for Zell G. Roe, the retiring park commissioner.

The men elected to the city council are: J. I. Myerly, W. F. Mitchell, Harry B. Frase and Fred German. Myerly is the only one to be reelected. He led the ticket.

Capital and labor was a prominent issue in the campaign. Zell Roe was endorsed by the labor league, but his opponents charged that the league did not represent labor. Harry B. Frase, county auditor, was the only one endorsed by the league to be elected. His defeat of R. M. Galbraith, who stood second in the primaries, was the surprise of the election. During the campaign the interchurch council declared against any candidate who signed the saloon petition recently circulated and Galbraith was fought on this score.

Sioux City Reelects Smith.
Sioux City, Iowa, March 31.—Mayor A. A. Smith was reelected for a third term over Jonathan W. Brown in one of the hottest municipal campaigns in the history of the commission plan of government here. Smith polled 4,534 votes; Brown, 4,125. Rudolph Beerd and E. O. Wesley were reelected to the council by safe margins. John Dineen, a former chief of police, and J. M. Lewis won the other places on the aldermanic ticket. By the use of voting machines the result was known an hour after the polls closed.

Waterloo, Iowa, March 31.—Mayor R. C. Thompson, running on a "non-political" ticket, and his entire ticket were elected over former Mayor J. R. Rector and the democratic candidate, Roy E. Reed. Thompson received 3,582 votes; Rector, 1,920, and Reed, 1,019. Thompson favored licensing saloons provided the case before the supreme court is decided in favor of the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Two Socialists Win.
Burlington, Iowa, March 31.—One of the warmest fights over experienced in local politics resulted in the election of two socialist councilmen and the defeat of the two present members of the city council who were candidates. Cross, nonpartisan for mayor, was elected by 224 votes over Schick, his socialist opponent. Aside from Cross, the new council will be made up of new men and will stand three nonpartisan and two socialist members.

Snyder is Winner.
Council Bluffs, Ia., March 31.—Complete returns show M. B. Snyder, republican, was elected mayor by 180 over Maloney, democrat.

6,000 MINERS IN
OHIO ON A STRIKE

Martins Ferry, Ohio, March 31.—Six thousand coal miners in this section quit today because the operators refused to sign a new lease based on the run of the mine law of Ohio, operative May 20. They say they will not pay for mining on the new basis until compelled by law.

Denver, Colo., March 31.—That the Illinois miners, by a referendum vote, decided by a overwhelming majority to appropriate \$150,000 to aid the striking Colorado coal miners, was the announcement at the headquarters of the United Mine Workers of America today. A telegram to this effect was received from International Vice President Hayes at Indianapolis.

HIS WIFE AND BABE DEAD,
ALDERMAN SHOTS SELF
Spring Valley, Ill., March 31.—Dependent over the recent death of his wife and child, Alderman Robert Blum returned home from a council meeting last night and shot himself dead.

Another Murderer Freed.
Chicago, Ill., March 31.—The case of Maude Oberg, accused of the murder of Edward Breach, was taken from the jury today, making the 14th woman freed of a murder charge in two years.

THE WEATHER

Forecast Till 7 p. m. Tomorrow, for
Rock Island, Davenport, Moline
and Vicinity.

Unsettled weather tonight and Wednesday. Probably showers. Not much change in temperature. Moderate winds.

High temperature yesterday, 44.
Lowest temperature last night, 39.
Temperature at 7 a. m., 39.

Wind velocity at 7 a. m. nine miles per hour.

Precipitation last 24 hours, none.
Relative humidity at 7 p. m., 87 percent; at 7 p. m. 98.

River stage at 7 a. m. 4.2 feet, with a rise of 1.1 foot in last 24 hours.
J. M. SHERIER, Local Forecaster.

ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS.

Evening stars: Mars, Venus, Saturn. Morning Stars: Jupiter, Mercury, Sirius, the bluish-white star dominating the south-southwestern sky, is three times the size of our sun, thirty times as brilliant and nearest to earth of all naked eye stars.

TORREON BATTLE
IS STILL RAGING

Mexico City Advises Washington
Embassy There Is No Danger
of City Falling.

Washington, D. C., March 31.—The Mexican embassy received the following from the foreign office at Mexico City today:

"Torreon has not fallen and the government is quite confident it will not fall, according to latest reports from the front."

Jaurez, Mexico, March 31.—The only available information here early today was that fighting continues at Torreon. Rebel officials declared the main battle for the town was fought at Gomez Palacio last week. The losses there were heavy on both sides, and they assert that neither side is now able to repeat so bloody and determined a conquest. In Torreon fighting is said to be from house to house, where Gomez Palacio was taken by storm after three assaults, in which men went down by hundreds.

Chihuahua, Mexico, March 31.—Officials here while optimistic, said absence of official reports indicated Villa was meeting with stubborn resistance.

STATE BUILDING
AT EXPO PLANNED

Illinois to Be Represented at
San Francisco Fair by
\$90,000 Structure.

Chicago, Ill., March 31.—Plans for the Illinois building at the Panama Pacific exposition were adopted unanimously yesterday by the state architecture commission. They call for a three-story structure with a frontage of 135 feet and a depth of 96 feet. The cost is estimated at \$90,000, \$10,000 less than the commission expected to spend. From \$18,000 to \$20,000 will be spent for furnishings.

Minor details of the plans will be completed at once. Bids then will be asked for, and it is hoped that work on the building will have been started by May 15.

The commission which passed on the plans, which are the work of State Architect James B. Debelka, is composed of two architects, two sculptors, two painters and two laymen. Martin Roche, the chairman, presided.

WEALTHY PRINTER IS DEAD.

D. E. Bockius, for 48 Years a Tribune
Employee, Victim of Pneumonia.

Chicago, Ill., March 31.—Daniel E. Bockius, for 48 years an employee of the Tribune composing room, died of pneumonia yesterday. He was an excellent workman, of a high order of intelligence, and for many years was night foreman. During the great fire in 1871 Mr. Bockius, with other employees, did what he could to save material from the flames. By his industry he was able to save money in his earlier years. He made fortunate investments, and as his wealth grew he went into other ventures, nearly all turning out successfully. He was easily the richest working printer in Chicago, if not in the United States. Mr. Bockius never married. He was 74 years old.

Cell No Bar to Sweetheart.

Savannah, Ga., March 31.—Scores of persons watched Frank M. Register of this city climb a tree directly in the rear of the city jail last night and propose marriage to Miss Zeta Metlock, a prisoner. Register was accepted. There are no charges against the girl, who is being held until she can be restored to her parents.

WEYERHAEUSER IN
A CRITICAL STATE

Los Angeles, Cal., March 31.—Fredrick Weyerhaeuser, the millionaire Minnesota lumberman, who has been ill a week, was reported to be in a critical condition today.

KOETTERS IS
GUILTY; GETS
A LIFE TERM

Wooer of Aged Woman,
Whom He Killed for Mon-
ey, is Convicted.

MURDER DONE IN HOTEL

Emma Kraft, Cincinnati, Sells
Little Home and Joins
Youth in Chicago.

Chicago, Ill., March 31.—John B. Koettters was found guilty today of murdering Mrs. Emma Kraft of Cincinnati, Ohio, in a local hotel, with a hammer. He was given life imprisonment. The jury took the case yesterday afternoon.

A singular feature of the defense was an attempt to set up an alibi for the slain woman instead of for the murderer. Evidence offered proved she could not have been at the hotel at the time the state's witnesses said she arrived there.

Mrs. Kraft was a widow of 60. She had been infatuated with Koettters and had just sold her little property in Cincinnati for \$3,000.

It was the accusation of the state that Koettters, failing to get this sum by cajolery, murdered the woman and fled with it.

NEARLY ALL TAX
BOOKS FINISHED

All But Five Collectors in County
Have Turned in Books to
Treasurer.

All of the township collectors from the rural districts have turned in their books to W. H. Whiteside, county treasurer. There are but five books which have not been completed, Rock Island, South Rock Island, Moline, South Moline and Hampton, and these are expected within a few days. Assessors are expected to begin their duties tomorrow morning.

Yesterday Ray Patterson, collector for Edgington, finished his work, his books showing a total of \$19,924.04, charged; \$548.85 delinquent; \$19,375.19 collected, and \$387.50 commission. School tax charged, \$4,822.61; delinquent, \$126.16; collected, \$4,696.45; commission \$93.93.

This morning Fred W. Krueger, Drury, reported total charged \$29,257.05; delinquent \$7,397.17; collected, \$21,859.88; commission, \$437.19. School tax, total charged \$5,083.22; delinquent, \$421.01; collected \$4,662.21; commission \$93.93.

PLAN A SECOND
MOCK ELECTION

Ladies of Fourth, Fifth and
Sixth Precinct Follow Those
in East End.

Local option advocates in the fourth, fifth and seventh precincts have arranged to hold a mock election Thursday evening at 7:30 at the Central Presbyterian church, Fourteenth street and Tenth avenue. Thorough instruction in the use of the ballot at the coming election will be given, and all questions upon which the new voters may be uninformed will be answered. The meeting will be open to women from all parts of the city.

Members of the Woman's Local Option league from the Fourteenth and Fifteenth precincts held a mock election last night in the Longfellow school gymnasium. They went through the process of casting a ballot with judges and clerks presiding in the usual way.

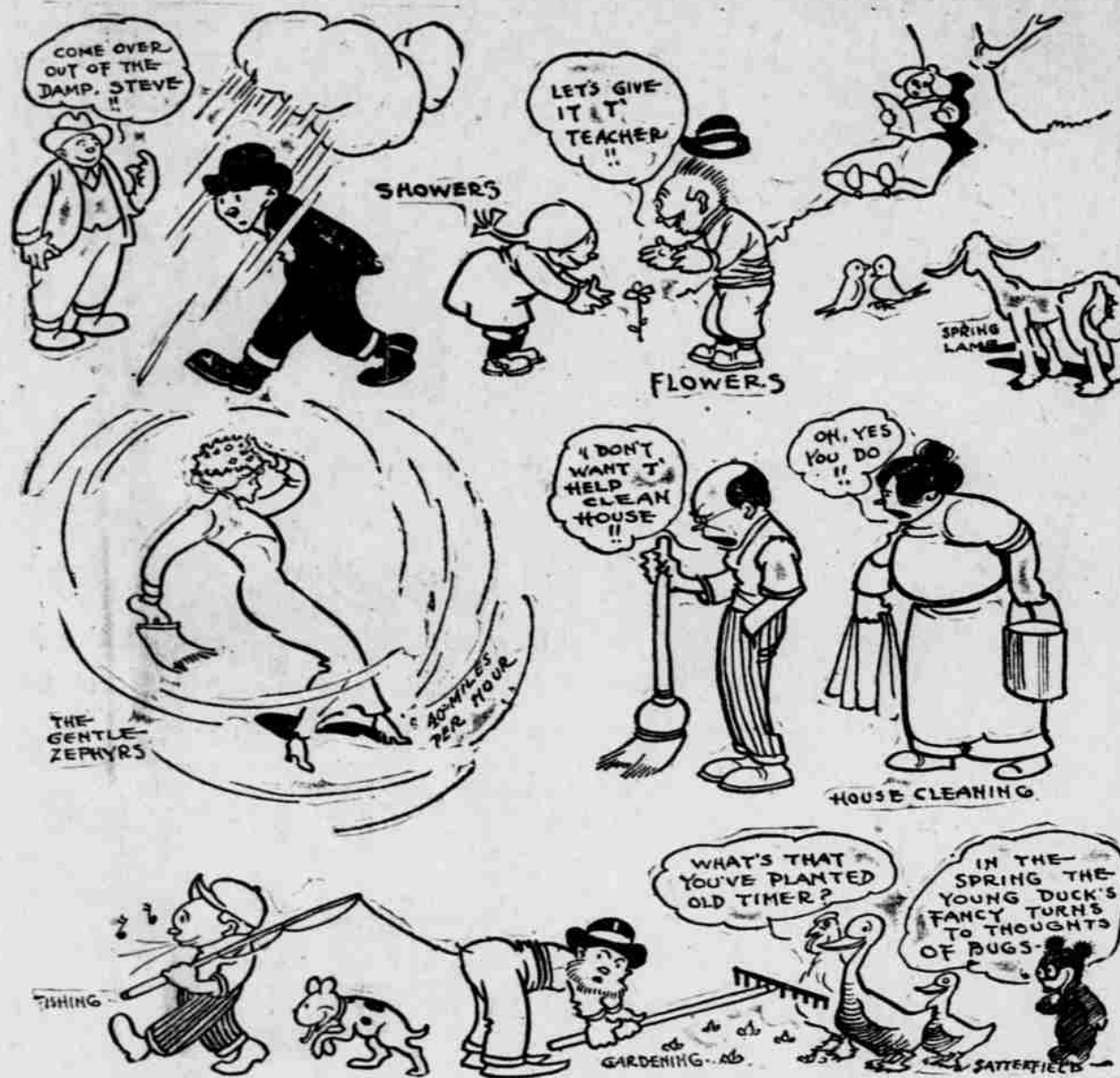
An address by Rev. A. D. Johnson, pastor of the Central Presbyterian church, and one by Dr. C. W. Foss on the election laws, were given.

Jones Wins Judicial Primary.

Springfield, Ill., March 31.—Official returns of the special judicial primary held in the Seventh district last Tuesday show that Norman L. Jones of Greene county received the democratic nomination over Judge Francis E. Baldwin of Jacksonville by a majority of 1,970 votes.

The official figures are:
Democratic—Norman L. Jones, 7,318; Francis E. Baldwin, 5,348.
Republican—Charles S. Andrus, 1,667; Thomas F. Merrill, Jacksonville, 14; Thomas Worthington, Jacksonville, 1.

WHAT APRIL BRINGS

NEW RATES HAVE
BEEN SUSPENDED

Tariffs, With Exception of Elimination of Allowances to Steel, Off Till July.

Washington, D. C., March 31.—The interstate commerce commission today suspended, until July 30, all new tariffs filed by the railroads eliminating allowances to industrial railroads, with the exception of those affecting the steel corporation and other iron and steel companies, which stand.

Approximately four thousand tariffs were suspended. They would have become effective at midnight, and were submitted in compliance with the commission's findings in the industrial railways case, in which it was held allowances and divisions of rates made by trunk lines with certain industrial railways, operated by iron and steel companies in eastern territory, were rebates and should be discontinued. Elimination of allowances and divisions with industrial roads operated by the steel corporation and other steel and iron companies in the east were permitted to stand. It is estimated elimination of such payments will mean an annual loss to the steel corporation alone of \$9,000,000. Hearings will be held.

To facilitate consideration of the advanced rate case, Chairman Harlan announced that the interstate commerce commission granted the request of the railroads to hear their concluding testimony today and Thursday.

NEGRESS HANGED
BY WESTERN MOB

Woman Slayer of Young White
Man Seized After Jailor Is
Overpowered.

Muskogee, Okla., March 31.—Marie Scott, a negress, who Sunday night killed Samuel Pearce, a young white man, driving a knife into his heart, was taken out of the county jail early today and hanged to a telegraph pole. A masked mob overpowered the jailer, while a one-armed man threw a rope over the woman's head and dragged her out.

Hard Time With a Word.

Albany, N. Y., March 31.—High school students of the state who tried a state examination in geometry misspelled the word "isosceles" 56 different ways.

GREY SPRINGS AN
IRELAND REMEDY

London, England, March 31.—Establishment of a federal system government for the British Isles was suggested in the house of commons by Sir Edward Gray as a solution of the home rule difficulty. He received great attention from the house. Gray hinted that the government was ready to go to the country with a general election if parliament would enact its bill establishing plural voting, giving home rule to Ireland and disestablishing the Welsh church.

SUFs TO ATTEND
TO SLOW STATES

Mississippi Valley Association
Devoting Last Day of Con-
ference to Plans.

Des Moines, Iowa, March 31.—Final sessions of the Mississippi valley suffrage conference today were devoted to consideration of plans for more effective organization of states where the movement was not shown marked progress. Chief interest, however, centered in the probable personal of the new program committee which will have charge of next year's conference and a choice of the city where the conference is to be held. On the conference committee matter the only certainty appeared to be Miss Flora Dunlap, president of the Iowa Suffrage association.

LATIN TALKED BY
DR. WILEY BABE

Proper Training for Child Pure
Food and Good Language,
Declares Expert.

Madison, Wis., March 31.—Dr. W. H. Wiley, famous pure food advocate, who is here this week, says his 23-month-old boy speaks Latin as well as English. "The proper training for infants and young children," he said, "consists in pure food and good language. His greatest delight—from the standpoint of his father—is when he goes walking with his father and receives his daily lesson in Latin, which he much enjoys."

"Harvey W. Wiley II, has never had any meat or poultry. He has never had any candy, sugar, ice cream, sweet cookies or other foods of that kind. I need not add that he has never had any tea, coffee, chocolate, beer, wine or whisky. He is a perfectly developed boy, enjoys life immensely and calls his meals by the uniform name of dinner."

CLYMER A. COLDREN, LATE
OF MUSCATINE, IS DEAD

Muscatine, March 31.—Clymer A. Coldren, former well known Muscatine attorney, is dead at Mineral Wells, Texas, according to word received in this city. His death was due to Bright's disease and followed an illness of more than a year's duration. Mr. Coldren will be remembered by many Muscatine people. He came here in 1897, a year following his graduation from the law school of the state university of Iowa. He formed a law partnership with Martin W. Stapleton and this firm continued for a period of two years. He was elected to the office of county attorney in November, 1898, and served out the two year term.

Shortly after this time he departed for the southwest in the hope that a change of climate would benefit his wife's health.

He was united in marriage to Miss Eva Shrimmo, a well known Muscatine young woman during his residence in Muscatine and he is survived by his widow and one son.

INJURES SISTER
SHOWING A RIFLE

Serious Accident to Child Occurs
in the Home of Oscar Ander-
son at Orion.

(Special to The Argus.)
Orion, Ill., March 31.—Merle, 11-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Anderson of this place is recovering from the effects of a bullet wound in the face, accidentally inflicted in the family home Sunday while her brother Orville, 13 years old, was explaining to her the workings of a new rifle that had just been purchased by their father.

The children were alone in a room when Orville took down the rifle. He says he had no idea that it was loaded. He had "broken" the gun and was in the act of closing it when the trigger snapped and the leaden pellet tore through his sister's left jaw, entering under the ear. A physician was called and found the bullet in the roof of the mouth. It was removed. Several teeth were dislocated by the bullet, and a severe wound was made in the left lower jaw.

MRS. SIEGEL FILES
SUIT FOR DIVORCE

Wife of Merchant Prince, in
Financial Straits, Names
Two Correspondents.

New York, March 31.—Counsel for Mrs. Marie Siegel, wife of the indicted banker and merchant, is said to have filed suit today for absolute divorce. It is understood she named two correspondents. Mrs. Siegel was a widow and newspaper writer and prepared a story of the Siegel stores when they opened. She met Siegel and went to work for him. In 1898 they were married. Until four years ago the Siegels maintained luxurious establishments in New York and at Mammoth Neck, London, then, it is said, separated, the merchant paying his wife \$25,000 a year, which discontinued when Siegel's affairs became involved.

Pianist to King of Italy Dies.

London, March 31.—Tito Mattel, noted Italian pianist, composer and conductor, died here yesterday. He was born at Campobasso, near Naples, in 1841. Mattel was composer of "Maria di Gand" and other operas. He was pianist to the king of Italy and wrote many popular ballets and songs.

TIM SULLIVAN IS
DEAD IN IRELAND

Dublin, Ireland, March 31.—Timothy Daniel Sullivan, Irish patriot, journalist and author of "God Save Ireland," is dead, aged 87. He was 20 years a nationalist member of the house of commons, and two years lord mayor of Dublin. He served two months in jail for an offense against the Coercion Act.

CLARK LAUDS
WILSON AS HE
TALKS TOLLS

Speaker Disappoints Those
Looking for an Attack
Upon President.

NEVER HAS BEEN SPLIT

Speaker Differs in Exemption
View, But Is Still Executive's
Well Wisher.

Washington, D. C., March 31.—Speaker Clark today in closing the debate in the house against repeal of Panama canal tolls exemption, disappointed those who expected him to attack the president.

"There is no personal issue between the president and myself," he said. "I trust there will never be. I have at no time uttered a word of criticism of the president, and as far as I am informed and believe the president has not said a single word in criticism of me. I have never for a moment entertained an opinion that the president is actuated by other than the highest motives." He declared there was no breach in the democratic party. The speaker argued at length against the president's contention, and declared, "the amazing request of the president for repeal, like the peace of God, passeth all understanding." He said if the president had reasons "which are not utterly untenable and which compel him to make this request," he said he had not given them to the house. He differed with the president's statement that toll exemption was a "mistaken economic policy," but admitting there was a dispute on that point, he proposed that exemption be suspended two years.

Calls It Mistaken View.

He contended that the president was mistaken in his view that exemption was repugnant to the Hay-Pauncefote treaty.

"We want war with no nation," the speaker continued, "but rather than surrender our right to complete sovereignty over every square foot of our globe-encircling domain, we will cheerfully and courageously face the world in arms." He attacked the attitude of house democrats who led the president's fight for repeal.

Referring to published declarations that his opposition to the president was the "opening gun of his fight for nomination in 1916," the speaker declared he had told all to whom he had spoken about the 1916 situation, that "if the president's administration is a success, Wilson would be reelected and if it was a failure the nomination would not be worth having." As to his own future, the speaker insisted he could be happy without the presidency, the speakership or even in retirement to public life, should his constituency so determine. Replying to what he called a "scurrilous slanderous article in the New York World," the speaker said that the charge that he had been swayed in his attitude toward the bill by the "ship subsidy interests," was a "base, false insinuation."

Scores Some of Editors.

"If any man here believes that slander," said the speaker, "let him stand up now, so he may be seen by hundreds of witnesses." The newspaper he named, he said, "along with every other editor in America, who hopes to be an ambassador or in some other fat job, has been endeavoring to place me in antagonism to the president, ever since the election."

The greatest crowd the house has seen in recent years jammed the galleries today to hear the final debate on the repeal of the Panama tolls exemption. People were waiting in line for hours. Just after daylight, two women and a man took seats for the long wait until noon. During the waiting hours the crowd made itself at home. Some brought newspapers and books. A gray-haired woman brought her knitting and clicked needles industriously. Lunch boxes and milk and pop bottles lined the rail with imminent danger to legislators below, until the doorkeeper forced their removal.

Representative Humphrey of Washington, republican, denounced the democratic position as "more contemptible than the English language can express," and declared the condition brought about by "egotistical blundering" of the administration in the Mexican situation.

He lauded Underwood and Speaker Clark, who, he said, "by every rule of fairness and honor should be president today," for refusing to repudiate the democratic platform.

Mann, republican, also spoke in opposition to repeal.

Mann received an ovation from the galleries and the republican side as he concluded.

Oldest Indiana Mason Dies.

Dayton, Ind., March 31.—Lyman Lewis Dryer, said to be the oldest Mason in Indiana, is dead.